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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

66-5-105.

- (a) A deed of conveyance of real property shall be prepared by a licensed attorney, licensed title agent, or the owner of the real property.
- (b) The deed shall be filed by the attorney, attorney's designee, title agent, or owner with the county register of deeds in the county in which the real property is located.
- (c) Any real property not previously described in a recorded instrument contained within a deed of conveyance of real property shall be described legally so as to be distinguishable from all other real property.
 - (d) This section shall not apply to:
 - (1) Chapter 32 of this title, relative to time-share programs and vacation clubs; or
 - (2) Deeds filed on behalf of a federal, state, or local government or instrumentality thereof.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-13-108(a), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

Verify that a deed of conveyance of real property was prepared by a licensed attorney, licensed title agent, or the owner of the real property, pursuant to § 66-5-105,

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by including the attorney's board of professional responsibility number or similar identification number issued by another state or the title agency's licensure number on the deed;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 66-24-101, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

The county register may refuse to register any deed of conveyance of real property that is not prepared by a licensed attorney, licensed title agent, or the owner of the real property in accordance with § 66-5-105.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to conveyances of real property occurring on or after that date.